



# 36th Army Band

Fort Huachuca, AZ

## Southwest Arizona RV Resort Tour a Success

### Concerts kick off a week of Veterans' Day activities

On November 6 and 7, the 36th Army Band traveled to Tucson and presented concerts of patriotic music for the residents of two RV resorts.

Hundreds of resort residents attended each night's concert. The audiences were treated to medleys of favorite tunes by Stephen Foster and other favorite American composers. Concert-goers were especially excited by Sgt. First Class Ted LeSueur's performance of *An American Celebration* (a medley of patriotic favorites arranged by Chief Warrant Officer Three Gary Dorrell), and Billy Ray Cyrus' *Some Gave All*. Mrs. Paula Dorrell—dressed in red, white, and blue—provided narration for the concerts.

Due to personnel constraints, Bandmaster Gary Dorrell relinquished the baton to non-commissioned officers and performed with the clarinet section. Sgt. First Class Rod Lowery, Sgt. First Class Mark Haas, Sgt. Luigi Baccala, Spc. Chris Boltinghouse, and Spc. Daniel Welch each conducted one

or more pieces on the program.

The RV Resort Tour was only the beginning of a whirlwind week of Veterans' Day activities for the band. On November 8, the band loaded up its white bus and traveled to Elgin to provide music for Elgin School's Annual Veterans' Day ceremony, which included a performance by the Elgin Tone Chime Players and Choir, a fly-over, and a speech by Lt. Gen. Robert B. Johnston (USMC retired).

November 9 took the band back to Tucson for a Massing of the Colors ceremony at Immanuel Presbyterian Church. Members of the local American Legion, Junior ROTC, Police Explorers, Knights of Columbus, and other groups presented their flags, and the names of recently deceased members of those groups were read.

The band appeared on local and national television during pre-game ceremonies for the Arizona Cardinals football game. Soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines participated in the festivities to honor America's veterans.



*Spc. Chris Boltinghouse, a euphonium player from Hannibal, Missouri, leads the band in Black Granite, a symphonic march inspired by the Vietnam Memorial Wall, at Voyager RV Resort in Tucson.*

*Photo by Paula Dorrell.*



*Smoke from a fireworks display produces a haze over the Arizona State University Stadium. Thousands of enthusiastic football fans attended the Arizona Cardinals' football game on November 10. Following their performance, band members and their families were given complimentary tickets to the game.*

*Photo by Annette Allan.*

## Holiday Performances

Mark your calendar for these holiday events with the 36th Army Band. For more information, call the Public Affairs Office at (520) 533-2515.

### Tree Lighting and Holiday Concert

Thursday, 5 December, 6 p.m.  
Main Post Chapel  
Fort Huachuca

### Christmas Parade

Saturday, 7 December, 10 a.m.  
Sierra Vista

### USS Arizona Memorial

Sunday, 8 December, 11 a.m.  
Tucson, AZ

### Holiday Concert

Monday, 9 December, 7 p.m.  
Buena Performing Arts Center  
Sierra Vista

### Tuba Christmas

Sunday, 15 December  
Tuba City, AZ



*After the job, fun. The 36th Army Band's work schedule often includes long hours of preparation and traveling, but band members never forget to have fun on the side. Here, Sgt. First Class Rod Lowery shows off his new Krispy Kreme hat. The band stopped for treats at the Phoenix doughnut shop following a performance at the Arizona Cardinals football game.*

*Photo by Troy Allan.*

## Wanted: A Few Good Musicians

Almost every musician dreams of being able to make a living just by playing music. However, a good gig—one that pays enough to cover rent, health insurance, and other bills—is hard to find. The Army Band Program offers a steady income, free medical and dental care, paid vacation, and other benefits. It also has the most generous College Loan Repayment program of any of the armed services: loans up to \$65,000 can be paid off with only a four-year enlistment.

Any musician who is otherwise

qualified to enlist in the Army and who can pass an audition given by an Army Bandmaster or his/her representative can serve in the Army Bands. In accordance with the Army Civilian Acquired Skills Program, band members enlist at pay grade E-3 or E-4 and can advance in rank much sooner than their peers in other Military Occupational Specialties. Band members also have the option of choosing their first assignments, based on openings in bands around the world.

If you or someone you know may

be interested in a career in the Army Bands, call or visit your local Army



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## Future Bandmaster?



*Sgt. Baccala accepts enthusiastic applause from the audience at the Concert in the Park on August 1, 2002.*

Sgt. Luigi Baccala put down his saxophone for a few minutes during the 36th Army Band's final Concert in the Park to conduct *March of the Belgian Paratroopers*.

Baccala is no stranger to the podium. He honed his conducting skills during a semester of student teaching while earning his Bachelor's degree in music education at the University of Maryland. He says he enjoyed his conducting experience and had been seeking an opportunity to pick up the baton again. From the first rehearsal on his chosen piece, his prior training was evident in the form of

good preparation, solid technique, and a confident style.

As much as he enjoys conducting, Baccala probably will not be turning in his Warrant Officer packet soon. For now, he is concentrating on the saxophone—taking lessons and preparing for a C-1 audition in December. His goal is to earn the special identifier and re-enlist for one of the Major Command bands: The U.S. Continental Army Band of Fort Monroe, Va.; The Army Ground Forces Band of Fort MacPherson, Ga.; and The U.S. Army Europe Band of Heidelberg, Germany.

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## **Hails and Farewells**

The 36th Army Band announces the arrival of: Staff Sgt. Bryan Hildebrand, euphonium, from the 8th Army Band in Korea; Sgt. Julio De La Rosa, percussion, from Japan; and Spc. David Gregg, trombone, from the School of Music.

We say goodbye to: Spc. Michael Carroll, who has left for Fort Lewis; Sgt. First Class Peter Plumley, going to Korea; Sgt. Chris Morrison, on his way to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland; and Spc. Dan May, going to Heidelberg, Germany.

Welcome back and congratulations to Spc. Daniel Welch on his graduation from the Primary Leadership Development Course. Welch was the Distinguished Honor Graduate of his class.

Kudos to Spc. Terrina Anderson for winning the Fort Huachuca Soldier of the Quarter Board (second quarter).



Three members of the band will be retiring this fall: Sgt. First Class Robert Anderson, Sgt. First Class Ted LeSueur, and Staff Sgt. Karl Balandovich. The 36th Army Band thanks them for their hard work and wishes them success in their next careers.

*Sgt. First Class Robert Anderson conducts the band during the Concert in the Park on August 1, 2002.*